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Amendments to the Drawings

The attached sheets of drawings are replacement sheets which include Figures 1-4.

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REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 4, 2005. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Submission of Formal Drawings

Applicants submit herewith, for consideration and approval by the Examiner, replacement sheets 1-4 containing formal drawings, Figures 1-4. No new matter has been added.

Acknowledgment of Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-42 are pending in the application. Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, that Claims 24-42 are allowed.

Summary of the Rejections

Claims 1-23 are rejected as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,346,230 to Schumacher et al.

Summary of the Claim Amendments

Applicants have canceled Claims 1-23 without prejudice, reserving the right to later file these claims in a continuation application.

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Summary

Applicants respectfully contend that the amendments to the claims place this application in condition for allowance and request, therefore, that it be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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